

Bruce Wilcox Biography

Natural Resources Agency

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Education

Bachelor of Science in Reclamation Ecology - University of Wisconsin, December 1990
Associates of Science University of Wisconsin, May 1987

Expertise

Mr. Wilcox, an ecologist, has over 20 years of experience in the environmental consulting industry. He has worked as a division and program manager as well as section leader for several large environmental and engineering consulting firms. He has experience with management of large consulting teams developing CEQA/NEPA documentation, Endangered Species Act compliance, Clean Water Act and other environmental regulatory compliance. He is currently serving as the manager of IID's environmental compliance program for the Quantification Settlement Agreement water transfer (QSA).

Work History

Environmental Program Manager – IID, Imperial, CA November, 2004 to October 2006 and March 2007 to present.

Bruce is responsible for all aspects of compliance for the various local, state and federal permits and agreements associated with the QSA water transfer project. He manages a team of consultants and IID employees in the day to day implementation of the transfer mitigation and is also in charge of the team that is finalizing the Habitat Conservation Plan and Natural Community Conservation Plan for the project. Mitigation efforts completed to date include a 350 acre aquatic habitat site, development of covered species management and monitoring programs, construction of a desert pupfish refugium and completion of baseline vegetation and wildlife surveys. He is also responsible for developing and managing the annual and five year Joint Powers Authority (JPA) budgets for the QSA and reports directly to the Agency Implementation Team and the JPA Board regarding mitigation compliance. Bruce also acts as IID's liaison with the other area HCPs/NCCPs, with Imperial and Riverside counties and with the surrounding water agencies. Bruce is IID's representative on the State of California Salton Sea Ecosystem Restoration Program and related programs, and is one of the IID liaisons with numerous geothermal and other alternative energy companies.

Manager – *Michael Brandman and Associates*, San Bernardino, CA October, 2006 to March 2007.

Bruce was the regional manager for MBA's Inland Empire office. He was responsible for business development, technical oversight and profitability of the Inland Empire group. Projects included private sector NEPA/CEQA documentation, habitat mitigation design and implementation and regulatory permitting and compliance.

Regional Manager, *Kimley- Horn and Associates*, Phoenix, AZ and Dallas, TX

Bruce was the regional manager for the environmental compliance group of Kimley-Horn's western region. The firm provided environmental consulting services relating to compliance with NEPA/CEQA, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act and other environmental related regulatory requirements. Clients included the federal government, various state agencies and private sector clients.